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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555
ATTN: Document Control Desk

Subject: Proposal for Conversion to Low Enriched Uranium, MIT Research Reactor,
Docket No. 50-20, 10 CFR 50.64(c)(2)(ii)

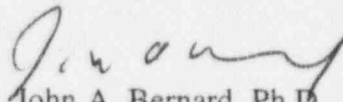
Gentlemen:

In accordance with 10 CFR 50.64, Limitations on the Use of Highly Enriched Uranium, the MIT Nuclear Reactor Laboratory submits herewith the information required by subsection (c)(2)(ii) of that paragraph.

We have been notified by the U.S. Department of Energy that Federal funding for conversion to low enriched uranium will not be available during Fiscal Year 1996. A copy of Dr. Norton Haberman's letter dated March 14, 1996 is attached.

It is our understanding that this letter fulfills the requirements of 10 CFR 50.64 until March 27, 1997. We shall inform you if further information regarding the availability of funding should become available in the meantime.

Sincerely,


John A. Bernard, Ph.D.
Director of Reactor Operations
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March 14, 1996

Dr. John Bernard
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Dear Dr. Bernard:

In accordance with 10 CFR Part 50.64, "Limitations on the Use of Highly Enriched Uranium in Domestic Non-Power Reactors," you are hereby notified that Federal funding for conversion of your reactor to low enrichment uranium fuel will not be available during Fiscal Year 1996.

You will be notified in the event these circumstances change.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, which appears to read "Norton Haberman", is written over a horizontal line.

Dr. Norton Haberman
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